### Pressure Data in the International COADS (iCOADS)

- 1) iCOADS 2.0 ← COADS background
- 2) Data composition--future data enhancements
- 3) SLP data quality + metadata issues

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Norwich, UK

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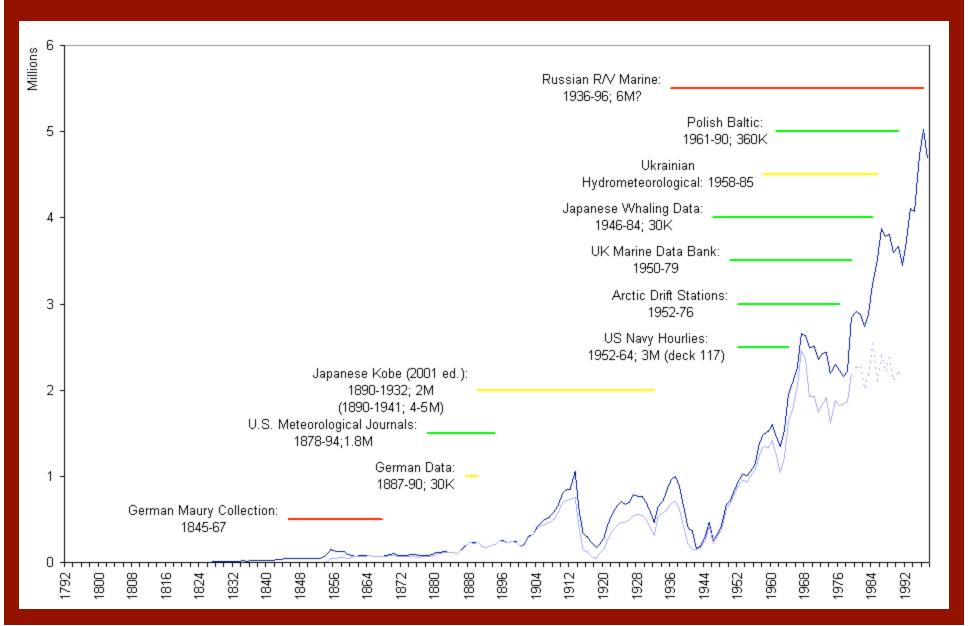


# International Comprehensive Ocean-Atmosphere Data Set (iCOADS)

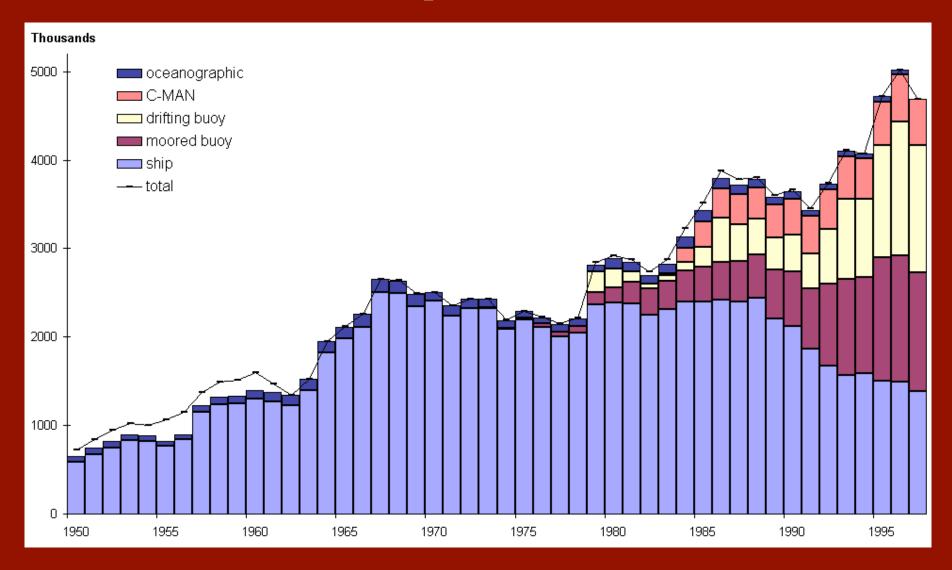
- COADS: project since 1981: NOAA + NCAR
- 1985: Release 1 (1854-1979) (ships and buoys)
- 1993-2001: partial releases  $\Rightarrow$  Release 2.0 (155M)
- 2002: I-COADS agreed: Boulder Workshop on the Use of Historical Marine Climate Data

Open and unrestricted data distribution

#### Release 2.0 (dark blue) vs. Release 1 (light blue) reports/year Future blend candidates: red (undigitized), yellow (partly), green (fully)

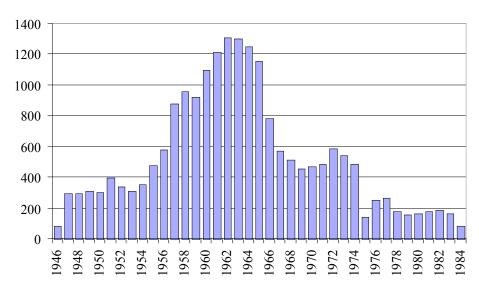


#### Mixture of ship/other data: 1950-97

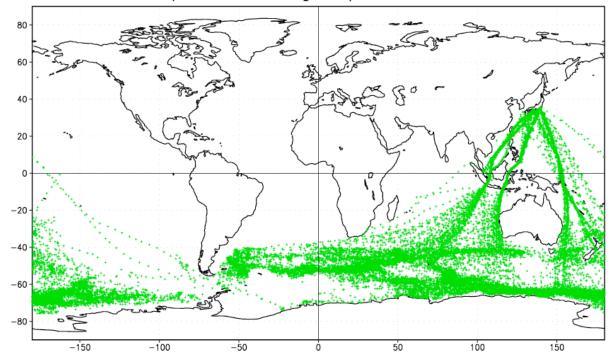


#### Japanese Whaling Ships

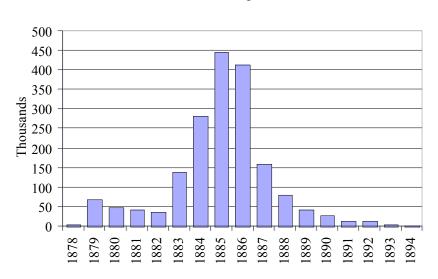
## Japanese Whaling Ships (30K reports)



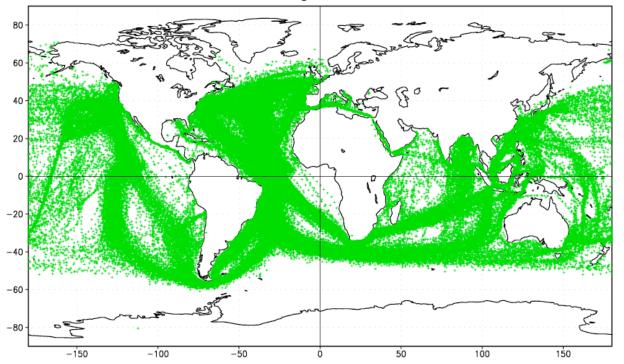
Japanese Whaling Ships 1946-1984



# U.S. Marine Meteorological Journals (1.8 M reports)

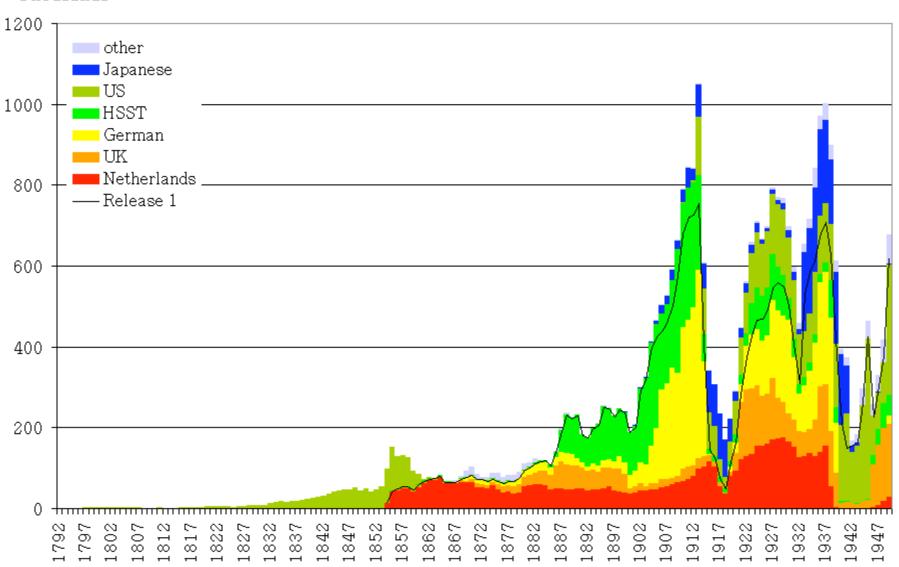


U.S. Marine Meteorological Journals 1878-1894



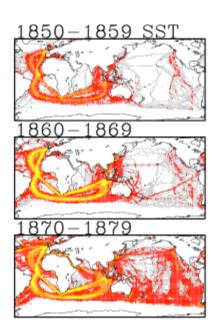
#### COADS Release 1c

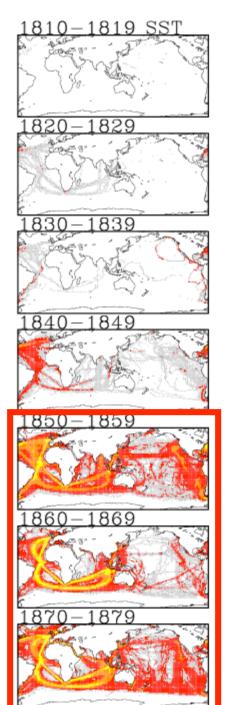


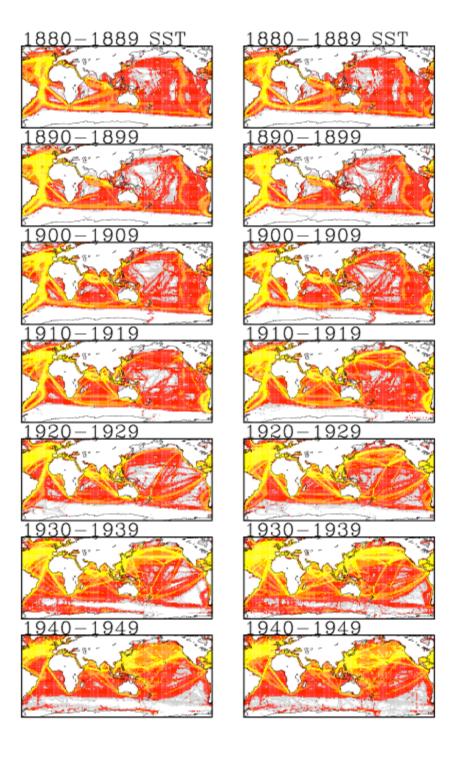


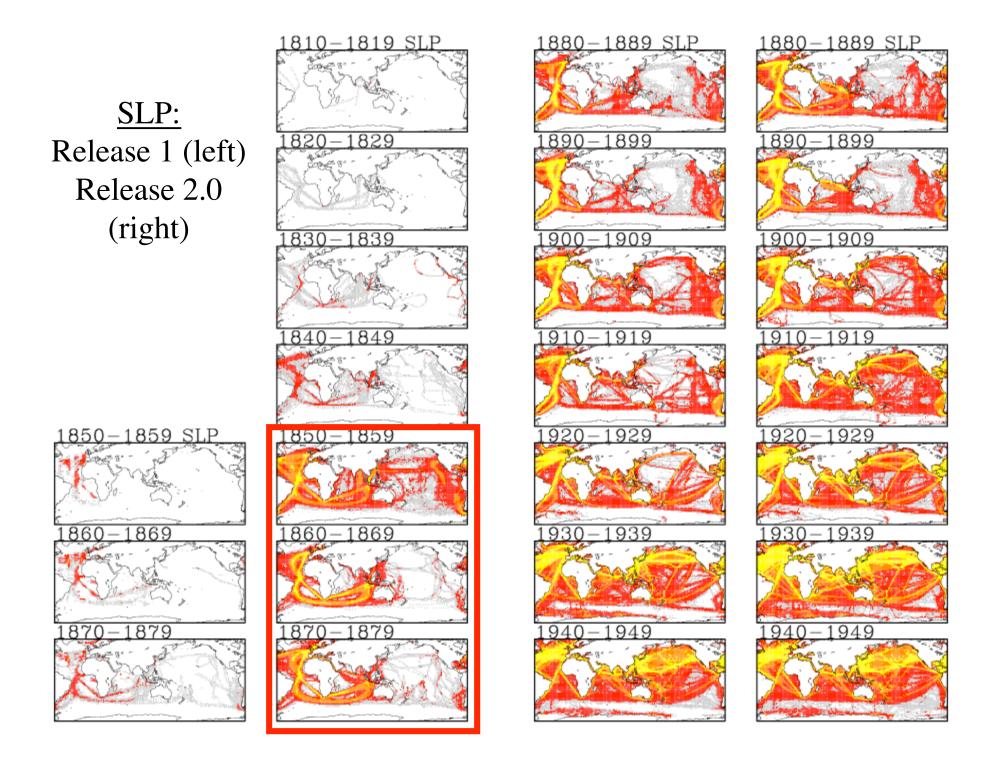
### SST: Release 1 (left) Release 2.0 (right)

Obs/2° box/decade:
grey 1-9
red 10-99
orange 100-399
yellow 400-







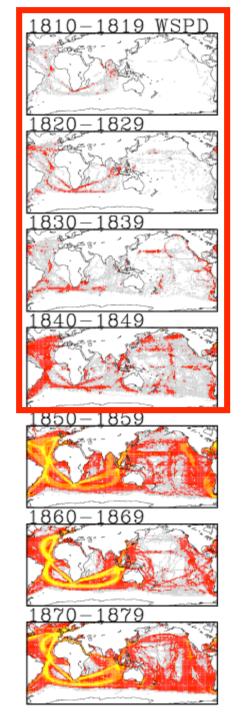


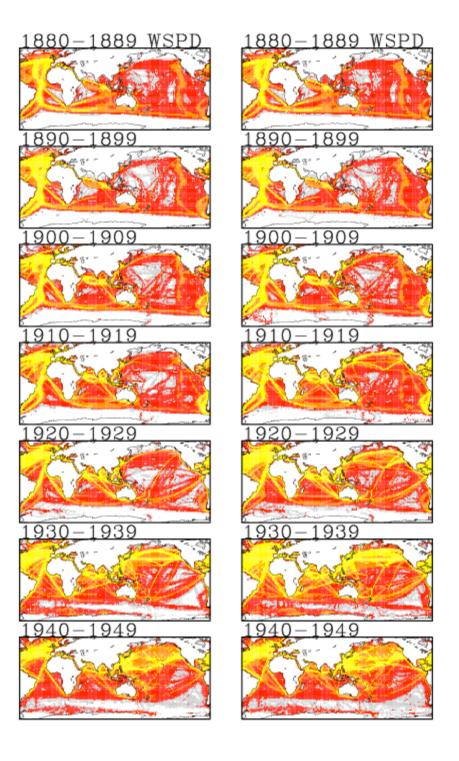
Wind speed:
Release 1 (left)
Release 2.0
(right)

1850-1859 WSPD

860-1869

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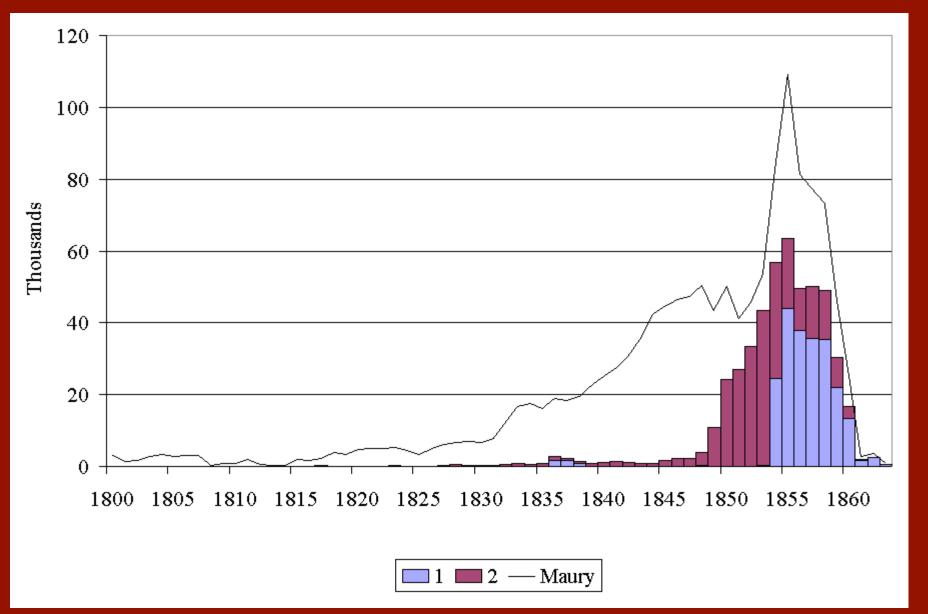




### iCOADS SLP: Data Quality + Metadata Issues

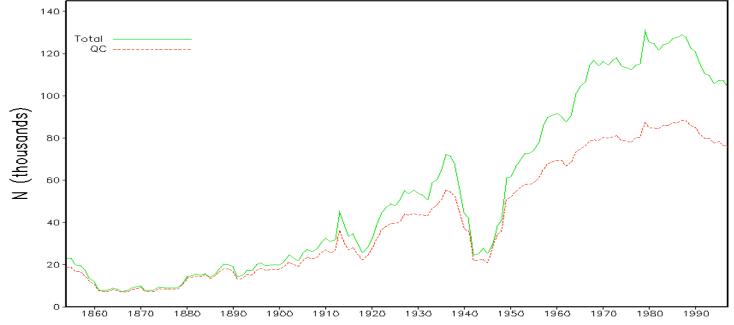
- Ship-buoy data homogeneity, metadata?
- Dutch deck 193 (gravity adj.)
  - HSST undetected dups + biases
- Barometer corrections + reporting practices?
  - New data additions: correction uncertainties:
    - Norwegian (1867-89)?
    - Japanese Kobe (1890-1932)?
  - US Maury Collection (1784-1863): Todd Mitchell
    - Large negative anomalies: 1850s

### Maury Collection (line) and SLP Bias Flags: $2 = \text{gravity} \quad 1 = \text{temp} + \text{gravity} \quad (\Leftarrow \text{Todd Mitchell})$



#### "ERSLP" (Smith and Reynolds 2002) **SLP Quality Control**

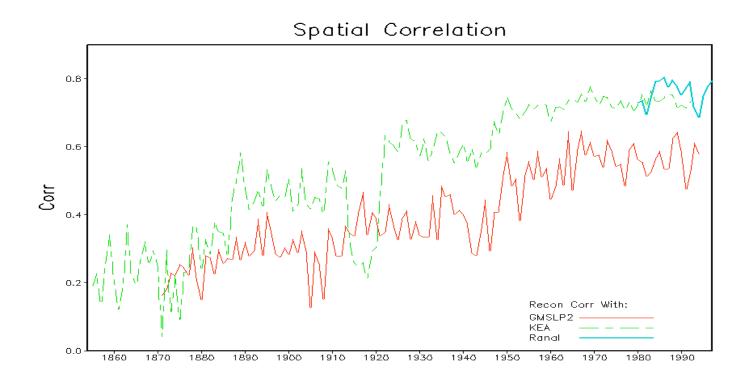
Number of 2-D SLP Obs





Number of annual 2-degree super observations: the green line is the total number and the red dashed line is the number after quality control.

#### "ERSLP" (Recon) Spatial Correlations



Spatial correlations (between 60S-60N) between the reconstruction and the Met Office analysis (GMSLP2), the Kaplan et al. (2000) analysis (KEA) and the reanalysis of Kalnay et al. (1996, Renal).



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